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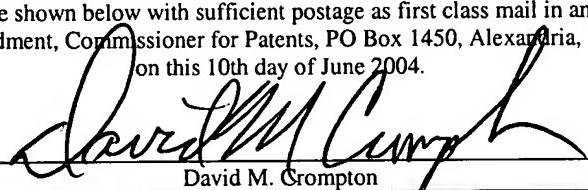
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In re: Setsuhiro Saheki Confirmation No.: 6516
Serial No.: 10/748,027 Examiner: Unknown
Filing Date: December 30, 2003 Group Art Unit: 3617
Docket No.: 1018.1200101 Customer No.: 28075
For: TIRE VALVE NUT AND TIRE VALVE

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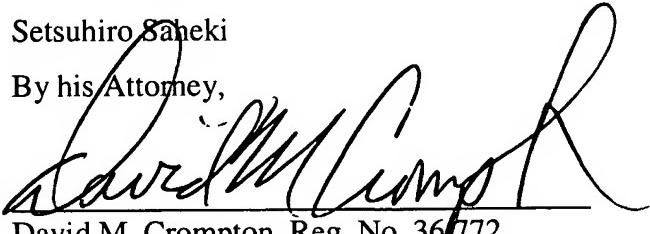
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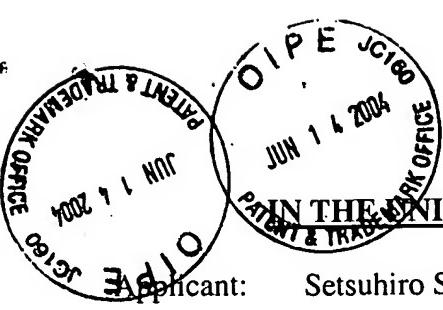
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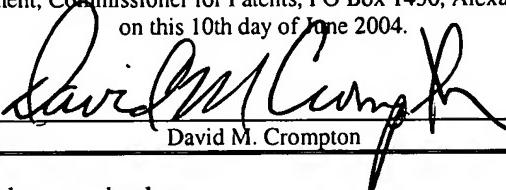
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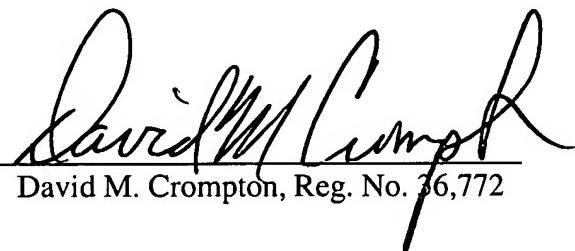
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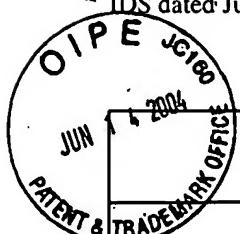
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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AE		FR 1 503.683	12/01/1967	France	Yes
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